## ABSTRACT

Provided is an aqueous dispersion for nail enamel comprising a copolymer (E) having a weight-average molecular weight as determined by GPC of  $1\times10^4$  to  $4\times10^4$  as polystyrene, being obtainable by polymerizing a total of 100 wt parts a monomer (A) selected from tert-butyl (meth)acrylate, cyclohexyl (meth)acrylate and benzyl (meth)acrylate and another radical-polymerization unsaturated monomer (B) in an aqueous medium in the presence of 0.1 to 10.0 wt parts of a compound (HS-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-COO)<sub>n</sub>-R.